FINAL MINUTES

HISTORIC RESOURCES BOARD

November 15, 2007, 10:00 a.m. (tour) and 1:30 p.m. (meeting)
Fellowship Hall - Catoctin Presbyterian Church
15565 High Street Waterford, VA 20197-0195

Virginia Historic Resources Board Members Present

Patrick Butler, Chair Brian Broadus Carter Hudgins Ora McCoy Addison Thompson

Virginia Office of the Attorney General Staff Present

Earl Nance

Virginia Department of Historic Resources Staff Present

Kathleen Kilpatrick, Director Catherine Slusser, Deputy Director David Edwards Jean McRae Kelly Spradley-Kurowski Marc Wagner

10:00 a.m. tour: The Historic Resources Board, members of the DHR staff, and Ms. Kurtz, Ms. Madison, Ms. Mann, Mr. Nance convened at the church for a driving tour around Waterford. The tour included driving to and from eight points along state routes to the boundary lines; as well as a drive around the center of town for those who did not wish to walk.

1:30 p.m. meeting: Chairman Butler called the meeting to order, explained the role of the Historic Resources Board, and asked the Board members to introduce themselves. He then explained the order of presentations and comment periods for the day's agenda.

Ms. Madison opened by presenting her petition and appeal to remove the Waterford Historic District from the Virginia Landmarks Register outlining the reasons for her request. Director Kilpatrick and Mr. Wagner gave an illustrated presentation summarizing a staff recommendation that the Waterford Historic District remain listed. Both Ms. Madison and Ms. Kilpatrick were afforded an opportunity for rebuttal.

After a fifteen minute break, the meeting reconvened for public comment. Individuals who spoke in support of retaining the Waterford Historic District as a Virginia Historic Landmark included; the Chairman of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, the Catoctin District Supervisor for the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors, the President of the Waterford Foundation, members of the Waterford Foundation Board of Directors; the President and CEO of the Loudoun Convention & Visitors Association, a Loudoun County Planning Commissioner, a Member of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, as well as many property owners living within and without the town of Waterford. Some individuals unable to attend had others read their letters including; the Professor and Woodard Chair of Historic Preservation at the University of Mary Washington, the Chairman of the Loudoun County Economic Development Commission, and the President of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. No speakers came forward to support the petition.

After a brief discussion during which the Chair thanked all participants and reminded the board and audience that the final board vote would occur at its regular quarterly meeting on December 5, the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.